

REMARKS

STATUS OF THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-31 are pending.

Claims 1-9 and 16-31 are allowed.

Claims 10-15 are rejected, but would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

In accordance with the foregoing, the claims are amended, and, thus, the pending claims remain for reconsideration, which is respectfully requested.

No new matter has been added.

The Examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed.

35 U.S.C. § 112, SECOND PARAGRAPH, REJECTIONS:

Claims 10-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly "being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention." In particular, the Examiner alleges, "it is unclear how the control is converged" in independent claims 10 and 13.

In accordance with the foregoing, the claims are amending taking into consideration the Examiner's comments. Support for the claim amendments can be found, for example, on page 5, lines 16-20, of the application specification. Withdrawal of the claim rejections is respectfully requested.

Dependent claims recite patentably distinguishing features of their own or are at least patentably distinguishing due to their dependence from the independent claims. Withdrawal of the rejection of pending claims, and allowance of pending claims is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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